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## HISTORICAL NOTES.

REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS.—The following extracts from South Carolina newspapers furnish parts of the records of some of the soldiers of South Carolina in the Revolution :

“The Hon. the continental congress, have appointed John Lewis Gervais, Esq; to be Deputy Paymaster General in this State. They have also appointed Edmund Hyrne, Esq; of the South Carolina First Regiment, to be Deputy-Adjutant-General. And Stephen Drayton, Esq; to be Deputy Quarter-Master General.”—*The Gazette, of the State of South-Carolina*, Wednesday, December 23, 1778.

“We are informed from Savannah, that about Christmas last, a gang of banditti came to a house on Daufusky Island, where Capt; Martinangel of the Royal Militia was lying sick, and whilst two of them held his wife, another, named Israel Andrews, shot him dead; they afterwards plundered Mrs. Martinangel and her children of almost every thing they had.—These wretches came from Hilton-Head; they stile themselves the Bloody Legion, and are commanded by John Leaycraft. The following is a list of the gang: John Erving, Lewis Bona, Daniel Savage, Christian Rankin, James Devant, John Bull, James Erving, James Allan, Charles Floyd, Isaac Davids, Nathaniel Gambal, William Chiswell, Thomas Roberts, John Mongin, sen. John Mongin, jun. David Ross, Patrick M’Mullin, Isaac Bolder, Meredith Rich, John Fendon, William Scott.”—*The Royal Gazette*, Charles Town, S. C., Wednesday, January 30, 1782.

"July 3, 1786.

The Persons who have done Duty under the following Officers, and are returned in their separate Pay Bills, are desired to make out their separate Accounts for Pay, and deliver them duly attested to this Office.

PAY BILLS, viz.

Bowie John Capt. Ind. Inf.	Montgomery, Evans, Dunlap &
Barron John, as Lieut. and Capt.	Horton's, Capts. in Col. Ker-
Cochran Thomas, Lt. Col.	Hick's shaw's regt.
regt.	Petty Luke, Capt.
Copeland, Wm. Capt.	Sinquefield Sam. Capt.
Chaplin Thomas, Lt.	Somervels George, Col. Ker-
Do. do. Capt.	shaw's regt.
Easley, John, Lt.	Col. Thomas Taylor. 5 pay bills,
Fults John, Capt.	of the different Capts. for duty
Garvin John, Capt.	done in his regt. at Orange-
Graybill Henry	burgh, the Four-Holes, & in the
Graybill Henry	Forks of Edisto

Graybill Henry	Capt. Carnal Durham in Col. Rd.
Hunter David, Capt. Col. Ham-	Winn's regt.
mond's regt.	Capt. Charles Durham
Hudson Thomas, Capt.	Aramana Liles
Henderson Tyre	Robert Frost
Jones Edward, Capt.	Amos Davis
Kennington John, Capt.	William Hughes
Murphy Daniel, Capt.	John M'Cool
Martin George, Lt.	Andrew Gray
Moore James, Capt.	Edward Martin
Moore James, Lt.	John Turner.
Murphy Morris, Lt. C.	

## DANIEL SMITH,

*Clerk to the Commissioners.*"—*The State Gazette of South-Carolina*, Monday, July 10, 1786.

OPERATIONS OF WILLIAMSON'S BRIGADE IN MARCH, 1779.—The following account of the operations of General Andrew Williamson's brigade in March, 1779, is taken from *The Gazette, of the State of South-Carolina* for Wednesday April 7, 1779 :

"Yesterday we were favoured with the following accounts of the first operations of our militia, under the command of Brigadier General Williamson, communicated in letters from the camp in the interior country, headed by his Excellency our Governor.

FIRST, dated April 3d.

'David Tait. Esq; one of Mr. John Stuart's indefatigable Deputies in the Creek Nations (and now called General, by the enemy) having advanced, with a large Body of Creek Indians, about 40 disaffected Cherokees, and several as savage white Men, as far as Fulsom's Fort, on Ogeachie, to join the Enemy in Georgia, and assist them in carrying their execrable Plan into execution, for the indiscriminate Destruction of defenceless Men, Women and Children (which can never be avoided where Indians are employed); and Brigadier General Williamson, of the Militia of this State, having Intelligence thereof; he lately detached Colonel LeRoy Hammond with two small Field Pieces, to go with Colonels Pickens and Dooly, into that Country, and endeavour to prevent so fatal a Junction: Col. Hammond accordingly entered Georgia upon this Business; but the Enemy being apprized of his Approach, on the 21<sup>th</sup> ult. at 8 in the Afternoon, abandoned and burnt the Fort, and ran off towards the Nation; except about 70, who still attempted to get to the Enemy: However, Colonels Hammond and Pickens, the next Morning about 10 o'clock, came up with some of this Party, and notwithstanding

their Address, killed 8 and took 3 of the white Savages, with no other Loss than Major Ross of their Detachment wounded. Amongst the killed, are two principal Headmen of the disaffected Creeks; and amongst the Prisoners, a son of Mestisquo, the Big Fellow, another Creek Chief. The 30th Col. Hammond and his Detachment returned to the General's Camp with the Prisoners.'— This proves, what the *Militia can do*, when *they* heartily set about their Duty, and observe that Discipline which is essential to Success; and what might have been done, with their Assistance when Col. Campbell, by his March to Augusta, risked a full half of the British Army in Georgia to a Burgoyne.

SECOND, *Dated April 4th.*

'General Williamson having ordered a Detachment of Horse under the Command of Lieut. Col. Ely Kershaw, acting in Conjunction with Col. Twig's of Georgia, (in all about 200 Men) to cross Savannah River at Beach-Island, in order to facilitate the Operations of Cols Hammond and Pickens in the upper Parts of that State; he crossed the River accordingly, but not without being discovered by some Persons who gave Notice thereof to the Enemy: Lieut. Col. Prevost ordered Major Spurgin of the Carolina Loyalists, with Major Sharp of the Georgia Militia, to attack our Detachment. On the 31st of March, at 8 o'clock in the Evening, the Parties met, the Woods being very open and the Moon shining bright, the Enemy, amounting to about 200, attacked our People, and to it they went. The Engagement lasted two Hours, when the Enemy gave Way, leaving Spurgin and several others dead on the Field. Our Party pursued them 2 Miles, and, till they were within 7 of the Enemy's main Body, and after destroying a Stockade Fort which the Enemy had occupied, returned with Sharp, mortally wounded, and several other Prisoners. Sharp is since dead. Our Party sustained no other Loss than 3 Men wounded none dangerously.'— If ail our Militia will only imitate these how soon might we not remove the Enemy from our Sister State, and prevent a Deluge of Blood, by the British King's Indian Allies."

THE JEWS OF CHARLESTON.—Dr. Barnett A. Elzas continues his good work on the history of the Jews of Charleston. His latest contribution to the subject is a compilation, in book form, of the tombstone inscriptions in three Jewish burying grounds within the limits of the city. Each set of inscriptions is prefaced by an historical sketch of the burying ground from which they were taken. The book is thoroughly indexed and makes a valuable addition to the genealogical literature of South Carolina. Dr. Elzas is now busily engaged on his forthcoming volume on the Jews of South Carolina.